## ASCE-INDOT STRUCTURAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING NO. 57 MINUTES November 8, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Anne Rearick. Those in attendance were:

Anne Rearick INDOT, Structural Services
Elizabeth Phillips INDOT, Structural Services
Naveed Burki INDOT, Structural Services
Mahmoud Hailat INDOT, Structural Services
Merril Dougherty INDOT, Program Development

Celeste Spaans Prestress Services, Inc.
Mike Wenning GAI Consultants, Inc.
Mike McCool Beam Longest & Neff, LLC.

Troy Jessop R. W. Armstrong Mike Halterman USI Consultants, Inc.

Michael Eichenauer Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.

In addition to the attendees, these minutes will be sent to the following:

Keith Hoernschmeyer Federal Highway Administration Jason Yeager Gohmann Asphalt Company

Jim Reilman INDOT, Construction Management Tom Harris INDOT, Construction Management

Burleigh Law HNTB Corp.

A meeting agenda had previously been distributed and the following items were discussed:

- 1. The August 9, 2012, meeting minutes were approved as written, and have been placed on the INDOT website.
- 2. It was decided that INDOT would like to update their specifications on PTFE plates used with elastometic bearings. They may also want to add some direction to designers in the Design Manual. A task committee consisting of Mike Wenning\*, Mike Eichenauer and Mahmoud Hailat has been asked to investigate this and report back to the committee. Kenny Anderson will be included for input and material. Possible additions could include circular pads and recessed PTFE plates. A Florida DOT example was recommended and Mike McCool will provide an additional example.
- 3. Troy Jessop\* and Celeste Spaans were asked to investigate whether elastomeric bearing pads need to be vulcanized to shim plates to keep the bearing assembly from "walking" and report back at the next meeting. Bevelled plates should be vulcanized per Randy Strain's interpretation.
- 4. Prestressed notches are discouraged in the top of the beam per NCHRP 654. Although blockouts for flanges are not a problem, notches in webs always produce cracks. Some notches may be made by engineers trying to avoid the angled #6 bar shown in IDM Fig. 409-3A and others. Troy Jessop\* and Celeste Spaans will investigate revising the details to show that the beam notch should not be the designers' first choice.

5. It was decided in meetings 42-46 to modify the pavement ledge for the R.C. Bridge Approach from 6" to 9" width and the minimum integral end bent width from 2'-6" to 3'-0" but this was never carried through to the standards. Elizabeth Phillips will check with Jim Reilman to see if 599 bars at 2' spacing has been used in a test project and then revise standard drawings for approval..

6. On R.C. Bridge Approaches, it was determined that the hook on the top bar was unnecessary and the top steel should be changed to #5 @ 8" for crack control. Elizabeth Phillips will revise the design manual figures to reflect these changes.

7. INDOT would like to develop a standard beam detail sheet to be used in the plans similar to that used by Kentucky and other states. PSI prefers the Kentucky style. Mike McCool will develop a sample. Then INDOT can continue to develop these sheets. (See attachment 2.)

8. The committee would like to collect and share practice pointers dealing with commonly used design programs. Any known issues and their workarounds should be sent to Mike McCool. Burleigh Law and Elizabeth Phillips will help compile and distribute the items. (See example items in attachment 3.)

9. Mike Wenning presented a new evaluation form. It will be used for the 2013 INDOT Bridge conference. (See attachment 4.)

10. Stay-in-place metal form attachments need to be detailed in the plans since the ½" maximum projection of the support angle into the deck is only shown in the IDM and not the Standard Drawings. Elizabeth Phillips will check to see if 702.13(e) of the standard specifications could be modified to include this provision.

11. Steel Diaphragm details need to be updated to include Hybrid Girders. Elizabeth Phillips will provide details for review at the next meeting.

11. Horizontal drain pipes on bridges can no longer be made of PVC. These are considered closed systems and must be cast iron or FRC.

\* indicates the person primarily responsible for the activity.

The next meeting for the INDOT Structural Committee is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on March 1, 2013, in room N642. Mike McCool will distribute an agenda prior to the meeting.

This meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, American Structurepoint, Inc.

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Michael Wenning, P.E.

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**Attachments** 

## **Burleigh Law**

From: Reilman, Jim <JREILMAN@indot.IN.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2012 8:54 AM

**To:** Burleigh Law

Subject: RE: INDOT Structural Committee - Approach Slabs

#### Burleigh,

I have a doctor appointment and cannot attend the meeting on Nov 8. There are a few problems with cracking in approach slabs, most of them I believe unrelated. Cracking is the main theme, however there are three different cracking scenarios and they probably will end up being dealt with in three different manners.

- 1) Transverse crack parallel to the IA joint approximately 3"-6" into the approach slab from the IA joint. This is typically a result of the contractor not placing the longitudinal approach slab reinforcing bars according to the standard drawing, which shows them 2" from the IA joint. Unfortunately these standard drawings (609-RCBA-03 & -04) have been deleted and it is now up to the designers to show this detail on the plans.
- 2) Transverse cracks near the IA joint. These can be a little more varied than in 1) above, or can be almost identical to 1) above. These typically result from those bars that are installed in the pavement ledge. I do not like those bars installed in the pavement ledge. From my observations, they are rarely installed correctly. I believe it would be better to go back to the 6' straight bar to tie the approach to the deck.
- 3) Other random cracking in the approach slab.
  - a) Sometimes this appears as regular-spaced cracks that are perpendicular to the IA joint when the bridge is on a skew
  - b) Sometimes this can be a long meandering crack running longitudinal, on a 45, and transverse. This cracking is most often seen in large approach slabs, ie. those on bridges with larger skews and that are several lanes wide (the kind where the one end is 20'-6" long, but the other end is 100' or more due to the skew.) At one time, I believe Naveed Burki was working on a detail for these large approach slabs to help with cracking.

Not sure how this fits with the info from Mike Halterman, but I know this was the issues that we've repeatedly seen in construction and have had several discussions with contractors where they want to blame the design.

My thoughts on 1) were that the standard drawings maybe should not have been deleted, or at a minimum, the designers need to make sure that they show the clear cover on the plans. This problem is a construction issue and can be addressed through construction. The issues with 2) are bar placement and can be remedied by deleting the 599 bar (shown in standard drawing 609-RCBA-07) and replacing it with a 6' straight bar that ties the approach to the deck and not to the pavement ledge. For 3) it appears to be a large mass of concrete and even though it is reinforced, concrete will crack. Possibly indicating some tooled joints or something to "encourage" the concrete to crack where we want it to and then use silicon sealant to seal the tooled joint and crack. As I mentioned above, I believe Naveed or some designers had used something on a project or two here recently.

Let me know if you want to talk some time before the meeting.

Jim

From: Burleigh Law [mailto:blaw@HNTB.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2012 12:11 PM

To: Reilman, Jim

Subject: FW: INDOT Structural Committee - Approach Slabs

Jim,

I completely forgot to include you on this correspondence regarding approach slabs. In our last meeting you were listed as one of the people that needed to be consulted.

This has been somewhat of a lingering issue over the years with lots of potential fixes, but I don't know if much has been implemented. I recall there being a couple of trial bridges that fixes were being implemented on, but don't know the result of those. Any further thoughts or input from your end regarding how we can fix the cracking problems with approach slabs? If so, it would be great to be prepared to discuss those with the group on November 8. Please confirm.

This is e-mail 1 of 2. I'll forward you Mike Halterman's response to the below e-mail with USI's calculations.

Burleigh Law, P.E. Sr. Bridge Engineer HNTB Corporation, Inc.

From: Burleigh Law

Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2012 9:14 AM

**To:** Mike Halterman (<a href="mailto:mhalterman@usiconsultants.com">mhalterman@usiconsultants.com</a>) **Cc:** Michael McCool (<a href="mailto:mmccool@b-l-n.com">mmccool@b-l-n.com</a>); Anne Rearick **Subject:** INDOT Structural Committee - Approach Slabs

Mike,

Attached is the information I had previously gathered regarding approach slab details from other DOT's. I've also included a table where I did a comparison between each of the DOT's. Please send me the information that was developed by USI regarding the bent bars that stick out of the pavement ledge into the approach so that we can start the ball rolling on coordinating this information and developing recommendations for the group. Thanks for your help and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

### Burleigh Law, P.E.

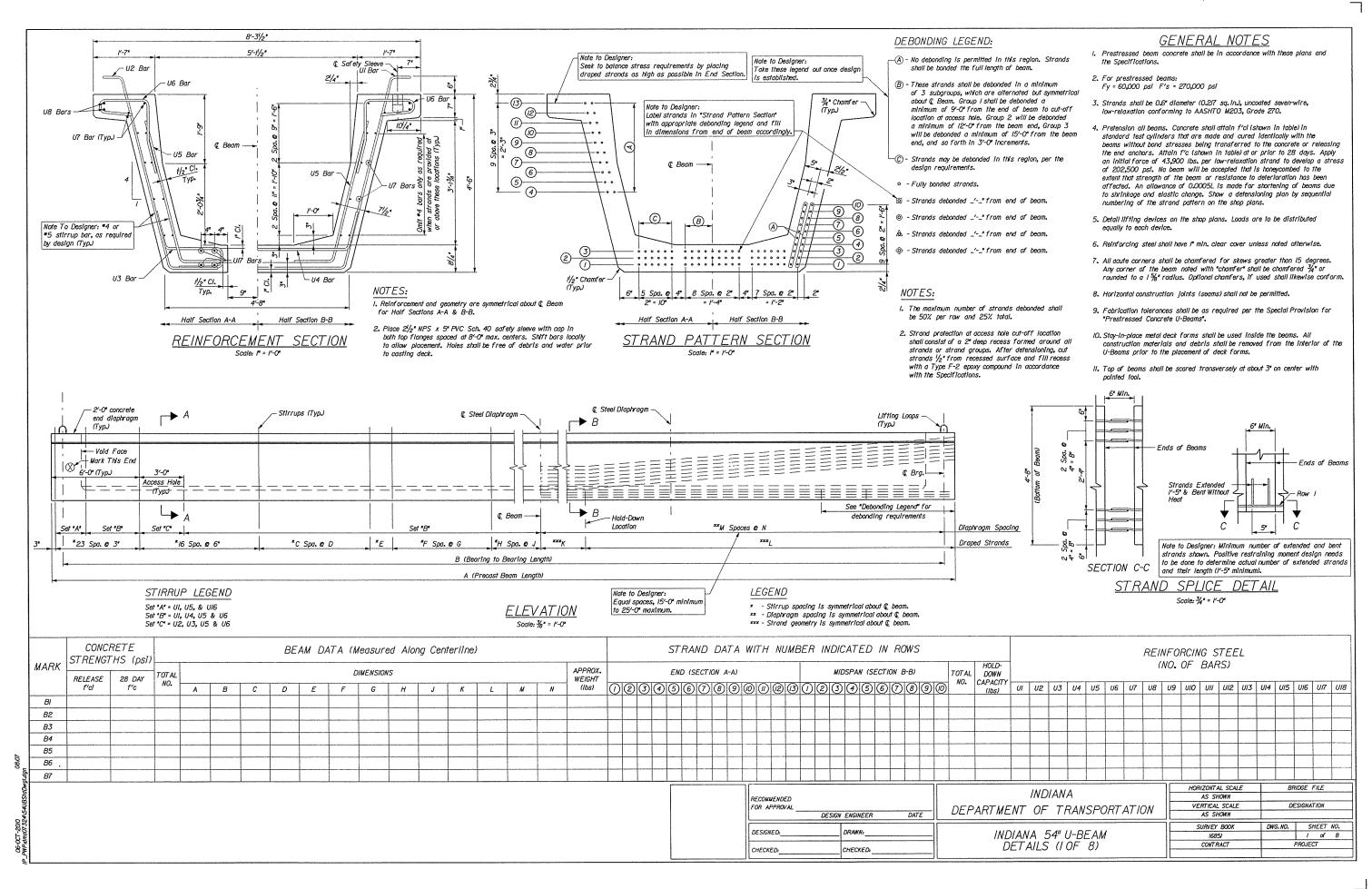
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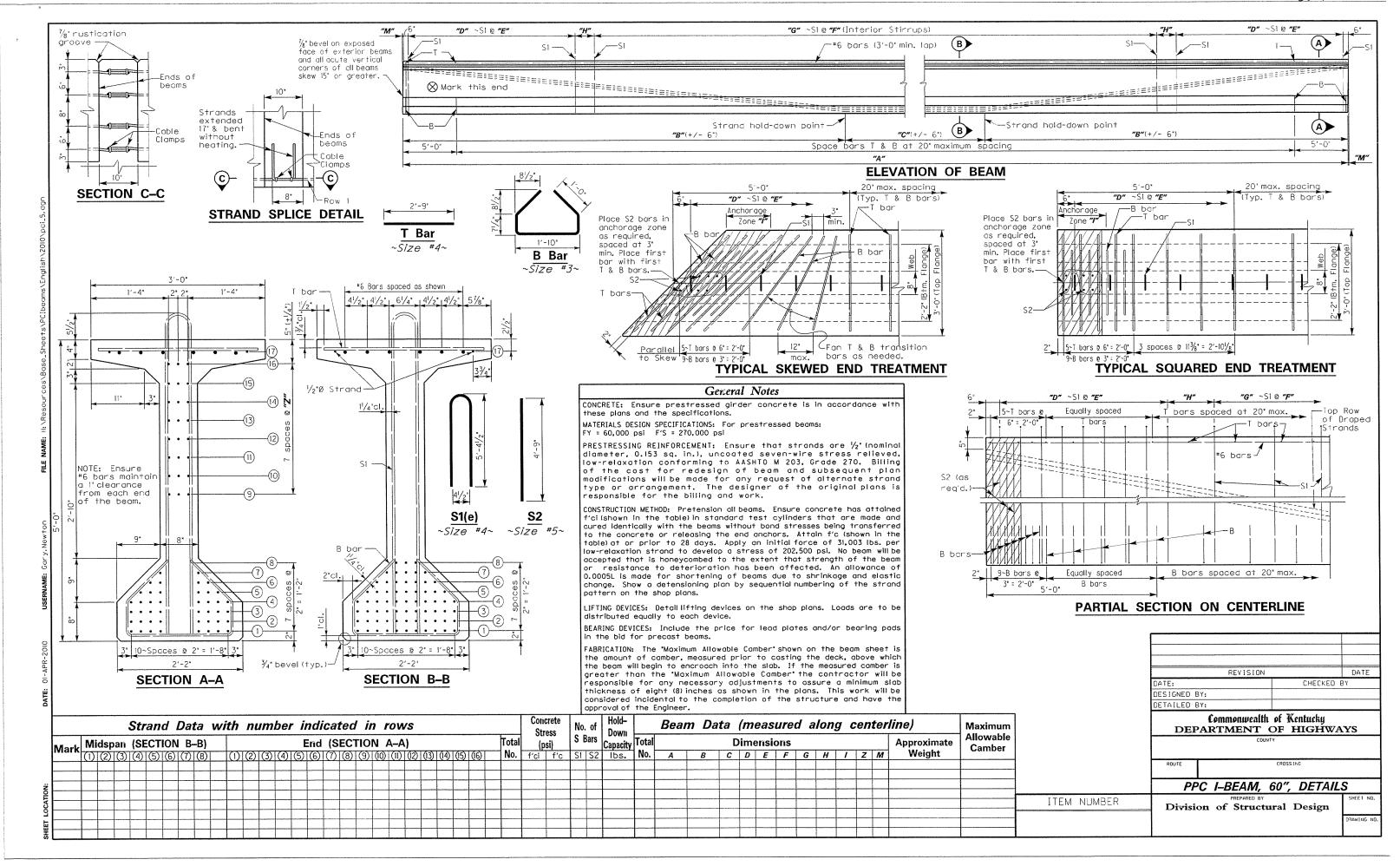
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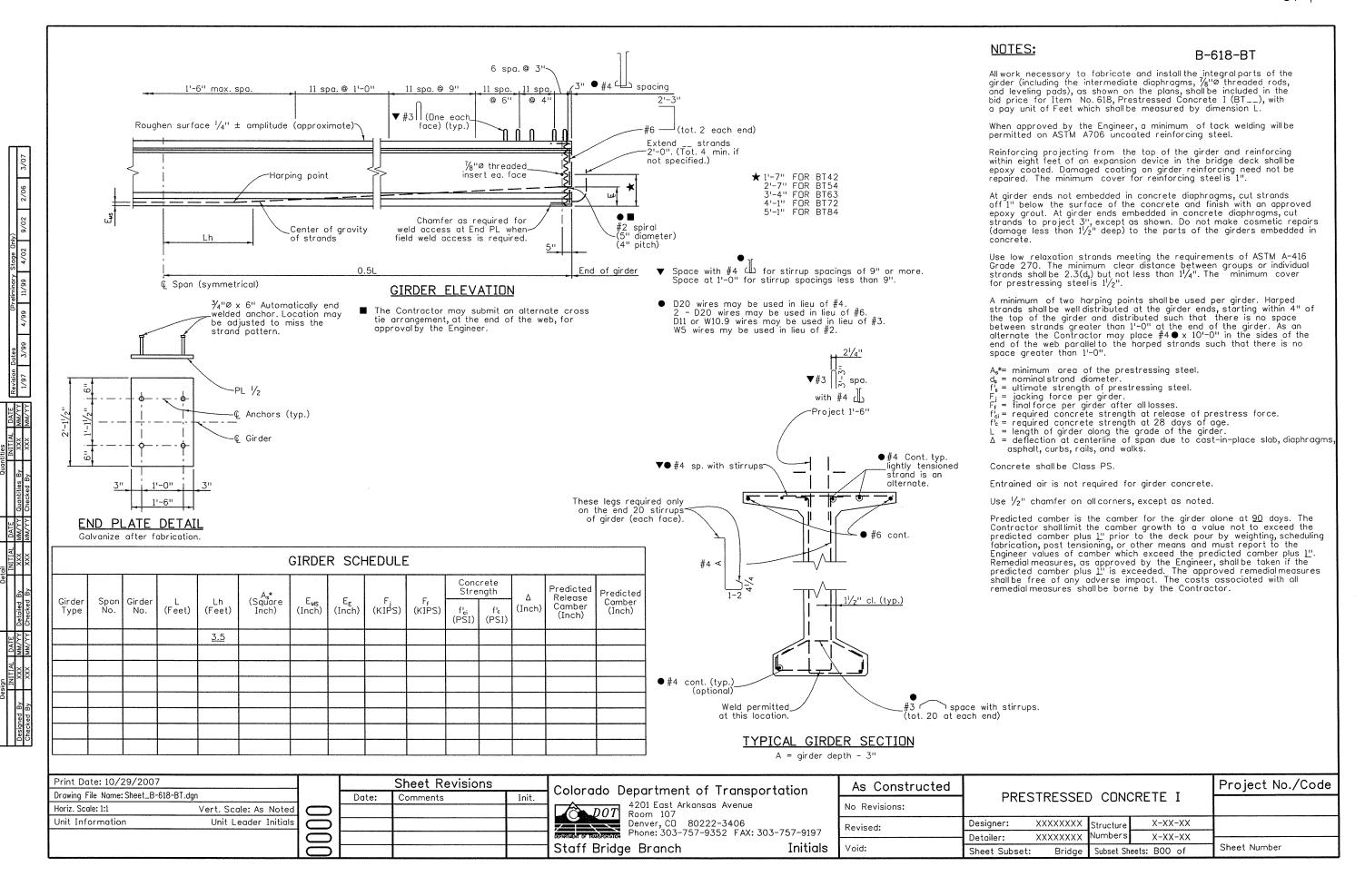
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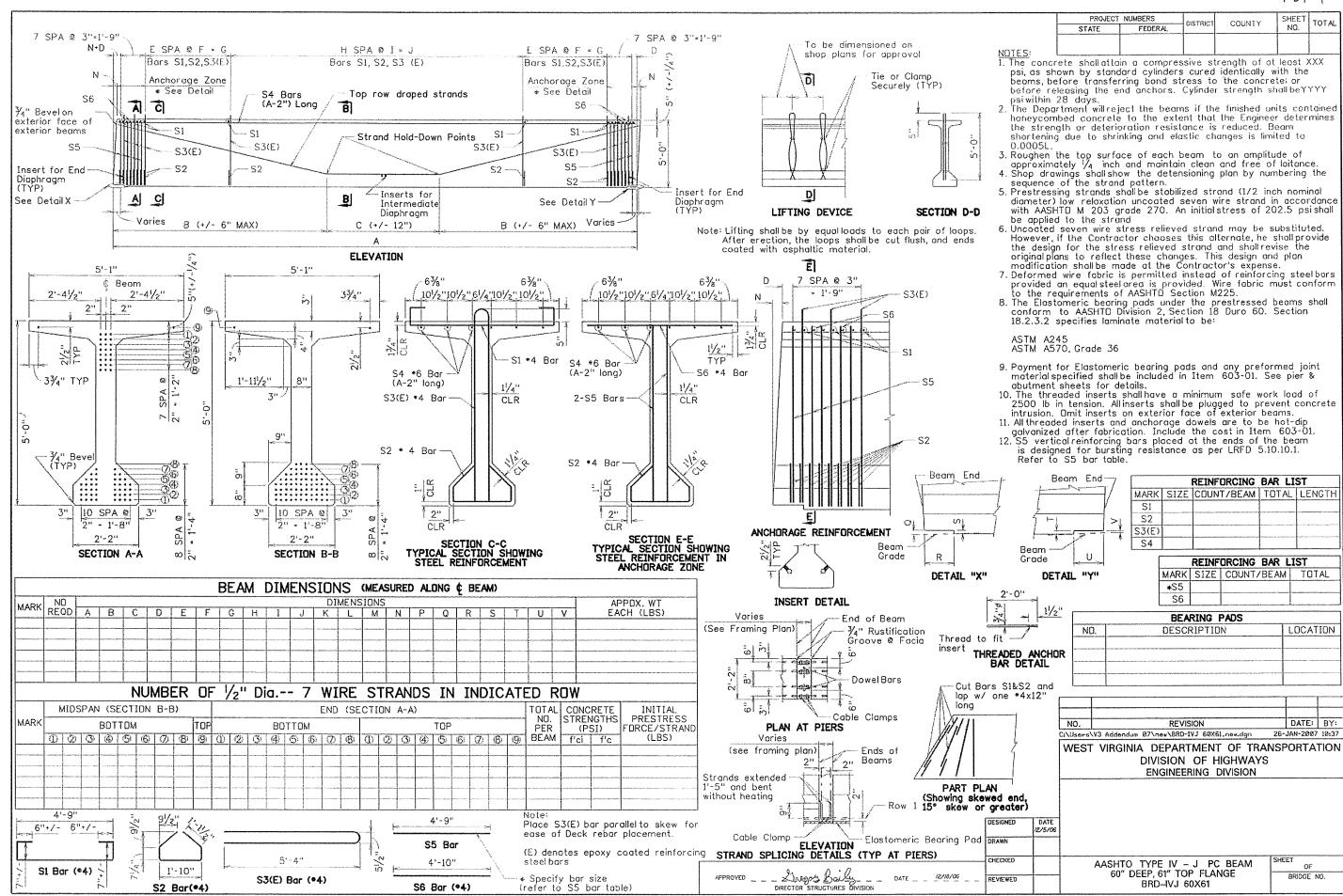
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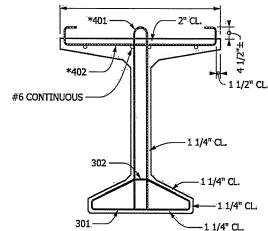




## Practice Pointers - Conspan Beam Design Software

- 1. Do not include non-composite moment effects when calculating negative moment steel.

  Default is to include and must toggle to exclude: Analysis-Project Parameters-Moment/Shear
- 2. Flared beam analysis After entering all the geometric data, if you go back and change any information in the "Layout" dialogue (like deck widths & offsets or abutment widths & offsets), then the beam analysis goes haywire. As a temporary solution, you just need to wipeout and reenter all the beam data in the "Cross Section" dialogue after you've made all changes to the "Layout". (Version 11.00.01.05)
- 3. There isn't a field to include 402E bars for shear.
- 4. Location of prestressing strands for odd height beams (e.g. 45"). Location must be manually set to achieve 2 inch clearance dimension for top strands
- 5. Eta factors default to one. State bridges require importance factor of 1.05
- 6. Humidity from 75% to 70% in time to release.
- 7. Deck thickness should be entered as the structural thickness (typically 7.5"). Sacrificial thickness (typically 1/2") should be added as a noncomposite dead load.



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Beam section (Client specification, locations, etc), IDM Chapter 63)	manufacturer speci	fications - (shape, strand									
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# **INDOT Bridge Training Evaluation Form**

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